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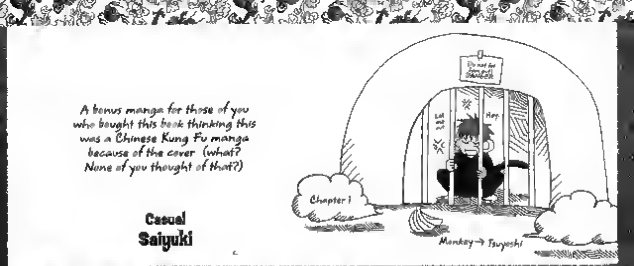
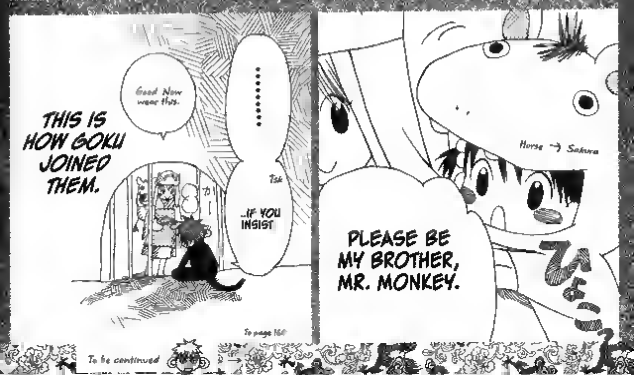

A bonus manga for those of you who bought this book thinking this was a Chinese Kung Fu manga because of the cover (what? None of you thought of that?)
Casual
Saiyuki
Chapter 1
Monkey → Tsuyoshi

NO FREAKING WAY!
I'll kill you!
I'm the lonely priest Sanzo
HEY, IF YOU JOIN MY JOURNEY TO TENJIKU AS MY SLAVE CALLED "YOUNGER BROTHER," I'LL LET YOU OUT
Priest → Masaoh



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Me & My Brothers
Episode 10
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CAUTION!!

Episode 10 takes you into a fantasy world.

Though Masashi's existence itself is already like a fantasy ☆

TIME GOES BACK TO THAT EVENING WITH THE MIYASHITA FAMILY.
...A BOY WHO LOOKS JUST LIKE MASASHI UNDER MY BUTT?
OUCH

OH.
How are you? I'm fine
Katagiri
I-IT'S FROM KATAGIRI-KUN.
Watermelon?
TAP TAP
"I THINK I KNOW WHO YOU FANCY."
He left with words like this
WHAT WAS THAT ABOUT?
I don't have anyone like that
OH, MY GOOOOO-NESS!
HE SENT YOU A POSTCARD EVEN THOUGH HE WAS DUMPED? HE'S SO JUNIOR HIGH!
It's scary to be young
000-0000

MASASHI ...
Oh, you're shy because you're cute
I'M IN JUNIOR HIGH, TOO. THANKS.
Same
IN A BAD MOOD
IF YOU'RE GOING TO THE FESTIVAL LIKE THAT...
...GO ALONE.
?!
YES?
Has too much
Let's leave him at home. Seriously!
I just wanted to wear a yukata with you
Then you wear one for me, okay Sakura-chan?
Waaah!
You're cruel!
SHORT YUKATA

SAKURA'S ROOM
Seems ages!?
He's in the 6th grade in this picture though
I HATE THE WAY HE TALKS. HE WAS ONCE A JUNIOR HIGH KID, WASN'T HE?!
He thinks I'm a baby
ガ
チャッ
I CAME TO HELP YOU CHANGE!
SAKURA-CHAN!
He's not discouraged
ばばっ
WHAT?!
Oh,
OBI SET
COME ON, YOU DON'T NEED TO BE EMBARRASSED WITH ME.
Don't treat me like a stranger

I USED TO HELP YOU PUT YOUR PANTIES ON, REMEMBER?
Tee hee
I HATE YOU!!! GET OUT!!!
ドッカーン
RUMBLE
The center of the shockwave is upstairs.
Earth, quake?!

HERE YOU ARE, SAKURA-SAN.
You like red, don't you?
Yeah
TELL ME IF THERE'S SOMETHING YOU WANT.
I'll get it for you
He's in a festive mood
SHOOT 'EM
Just what I'm in need of
TH-THANKS.

ポイ
SAKURA-CHAN! I'LL BUY YOU ALL THE MASKS YOU LIKE AS A TOKEN OF MY APOLOGY!
Will you forgive me now? Please?
It's my first time seeing one
NO THANKS.
SOB SOB SOB
Stop crying already!
HOW OLD DOES HE THINK I AM?!
Masks?! I'm in grade!
Why not?
IT USED TO WORK WONDERFULLY BEFORE.
MASKS, COTTON CANDY AND...
TEDDY
STOP
HOW ABOUT A COTTON CANDY, THEN?
THAT PROBABLY WON'T WORK, EITHER.
TEDDY

Hee hee hee
You loved it when you were little!
KAMISHIBAI
I KNOW! THE KAMISHIBAI"!!
SAKURA-CHAN, LOOK! THE KAMISHIBAI!!
IT HAS THE OPPOSITE EFFECT
Your eyes are creepy!
?!
DON'T UNDER-ESTIMATE MY STORY...
Hee hee
..BECAUSE PEOPLE ARE SPIRITED AWAY ON A NIGHT LIKE THIS.
AMISHI
...I WANT TO SEE IT.
WE CAN KILL TIME HERE, I GUESS.
TAKESHI...
Teruyoshi too?
ONCE UPON A TIME, HANAKO-CHAN GOT LOST AND THERE WAS A SUDDEN WHIRLWIND.
HEE HEE HEE HEE!
You can't leave during the story It's too late to change your mind now
HEE HEE HEE HEE HEE HEE HEE HEE
Can't leave

It's quite entertaining
THEN SOMEONE SLOWLY TUGGED ON HER KIMONO.
UG
!!!
AND TURNED AROUND BUT SAW NO ONE WHO COULD HAVE APPEAR FROM NOWHERE.
Don't scare me!!
STOP THAT!!
BTHM! BTHM!
SCARED
Gyaa!!
WHERE IS SAKURA-SAN?
HUUH?
You were really crying, too!
You're scared huh? How cute
PFF!
HM?

I KNOW I'M 11 YEARS YOUNGER THAN HIM, BUT STILL...
I GUESS AN INFANT AND A 9TH GRADER AREN'T SO DIFFERENT TO HIM.
CLACK CLACK
BUT FOR SOME REASON...
...I JUST HATE IT WHEN MASASHI TREATS ME LIKE A CHILD
Eep!
Where am I? I don't remember walking up the stairs
I WALKED TOO FAR BECAUSE I WAS THINKING ABOUT THINGS.
I went astray
!

*Spirit of fertility and agriculture in Shinto belief. White foxes are supposed to be his/her messengers.

HM? I THINK THAT SHRINE LOOKED OLDER, MORE WORN OUT BEFORE.
THAT WAS SCARY
TH—
IT'S KIND OF CREEPY HERE. I BETTER GO BACK
!
HIS VOICE SOUNDS LIKE MASASHI'S.
E-EXCUSE ME!!
WHO'S THAT?
OH, MAN— I'M TOTALLY LOST.

SAKURA?
apiculture
WHAT...?
WHOA!

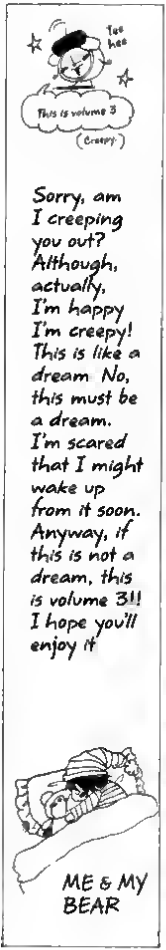
ドッスン
THUMP
Heeey?!
ハッ
OUCH
NOW FINALLY WE'RE BACK TO THE BEGINNING OF THE STORY

Bow
ペコー
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT? I'M SORRY THAT I COULDN'T CATCH YOU FASTER.
Not at all
I-I'M SORRY, TOO.
I WAS SURPRISED BECAUSE YOU LOOKED JUST LIKE SOMEONE I KNOW.
REALLY?! THAT'S WEIRD!
Your voice face and vibe
I WAS SURPRISED BECAUSE YOU LOOKED JUST LIKE MY YOUNGER SISTER.
HER NAME IS SAKURA.
What?
SHE'S ONLY THREE, THOUGH. SHE LOOKS SOOO CUTE IN HER YUKATA
Oh, my name is Masashi by the way.
SHE'S LIKE MY PRINCESS, YOU KNOW.
HE'S JUST LIKE MASASHI... NO, HE IS MASASHI.

I SAW A FIREFLY AND TRIED TO CATCH IT TO SHOW SAKURA.
THEN I LOST SIGHT OF FUMIKO-SAN AND THE OTHERS.
!
AM I...
...DREAMING?
M-MOM IS HERE, TOO?
Along with Dad and three younger brothers
YEAH, I'M IN JUNIOR HIGH I'M REALLY TOO OLD TO COME TO A FESTIVAL LIKE THIS, BUT IT'S A YEARLY FAMILY EVENT
...WAIT...
DID I TELL YOU THAT FUMIKO-SAN IS MY STEPMOTHER?
Y-YEAH! YOU DID!!
YOU DID SAY THAT!
I SEE.
I GUESS I GOT OVER THAT THEN.
...

...DOES THAT MEAN THAT I CAN SEE MOM AND DAD AGAIN?
MASASHI AS A JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL KID AND ME, THREE YEARS OLD..
IF THIS IS REALLY 12 YEARS AGO.
はっ
Ah!
You're not supposed to leave during the story
KAMISHIBAI
HEE HEE HEE HEE HEE HEE HEE HEE HEE HEE
ナイ!!
OH, I DON'T THINK YOU HAVE A FEVER.
BUT THAT'S IMPOS-SIBLE !!!
ガ!,,
?!
What am I thinking?!
WHAT'S THE MATTER?! ARE YOU FEELING SICK?
Since when did this become a fantasy manga?!
FROM THE BEGINNING

JEEZ! HE STILL TREATS ME LIKE A CHILD EVEN THOUGH HE'S ONLY IN JUNIOR HIGH!
!
カレー
HUH?
WH-WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!
S-SORRY.
I JUST TREATED YOU LIKE MY LITTLE SISTER.
I do that with her all the time
HUH...?


Tee hee
This is volume 3
(Creepy)
Sorry, am I creeping you out? Although, actually, I'm happy I'm creepy! This is like a dream. No, this must be a dream. I'm scared that I might wake up from it soon. Anyway, if this is not a dream, this is volume 3!! I hope you'll enjoy it
ME & MY BEAR

You really do look like Sakura. But I'll be careful next time.
IF HE'S EMBARRASSED THAT MAKES ME FEEL EVEN MORE EMBARRASSED!

...IF HE THOUGHT I WAS HIS SAKURA, THEN THAT MEANS HE WOULDN'T BE EMBARRASSED IF IT WAS ANOTHER SAKURA---A STRANGER.
Hmmm
BUT
"ANOTHER" SAKURA CHAN
I don't like it at all
OF COURSE HE WOULDN'T MIS SAKURA IS ONLY 5 YEARS OLD!

WHAT?
What about me?
BY THE WAY, WHAT ABOUT YOU?
WHY ARE YOU IN A PLACE LIKE THIS ALL ALONE?
.....

I HAD A FIGHT WITH MY OLDER BROTHER. I SAID THAT I HATED HIM.
OH, NO!! BUT YOU DIDN'T MEAN IT, RIGHT?!
YOU LOVE HIM, RIGHT?!
Your brother I mean!
I...
I DON'T!!
STARE
She did
HE'S 11 YEARS OLDER THAN ME!
HE'S WEIRD, AND HE'S MY BROTHER!
HE TREATS ME LIKE A CHILD! HE'S UN-BELIEVABLE!!
I...
...I WON'T FALL IN LOVE WITH SOMEONE I CAN'T REACH.
BECAUSE THAT'D BE TOO SAD.
YEAH...
I WISH I DIDN'T.

SO YOU AGREE, MASASHI?
BUT IF YOU DO FALL IN LOVE...
...THERE'S NOTHING YOU CAN DO ABOUT IT.
I KNOW! LET'S GO CATCH SOME FIREFLIES TOGETHER...
...FOR MY SISTER AND YOUR BROTHER!
I-I DON'T NEED TO
...AND WE DON'T HAVE FIREFLIES IN THIS AREA ANYMORE.
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? THEY'RE EVERY-WHERE.
!

EVERY-THING IS STRANGE, BUT...
Can I borrow your fan?
Here's one!
I FEEL LIKE I'VE BEEN HERE BEFORE.
Really?

HEY!
MA-SASHI!
OH, THAT'S MY DAD.
I can't believe he came this far to find me
MAY-BE...
...THIS IS A CHANCE TO SEE DAD AND MOM AGAIN.
HEY, WHY DON'T YOU COME WITH ME AND MEET MY FAMILY?
FUMIKO-SAN WILL BE SURPRISED, I'M SURE.

BUT IF I SEE THEM, I WON'T BE ABLE TO STOP CRYING.
THANKS, BUT I HAVE TO GO.
MASASHI.
YOU BETTER GO BACK TO YOUR FAMILY, TOO.
BUT...
It's so dark. I should walk with you.
MASASHI-KUN!
@picture

THERE YOU ARE!
OVER HERE!
What are you doing here, idiot?!
I was worried about you
Waaah
Waaah
MASASHI IS SMILING...
...AT MOM'S VOICE CALLING HIS NAME.
Ha ha
HEY, MASASHI...
FALLING IN LOVE...
...DOESN'T JUST END IN LONELINESS, DOES IT?

I ALSO KNOW HOW HAPPY IT MAKES ME...
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?!
SAKURA!
!
...WHEN HE CALLS MY NAME, AND WHEN I CAN BE WITH HIM.

He hates himself now
WELL, IT'S ALL MY FAULT.
WAS IT A... DREAM?!
YOU DISAPPEARED ALL OF A SUDDEN! I WAS SO WORRIED ABOUT YOU!!
AND WHEN I FINALLY FOUND YOU, YOU COLLAPSED!
?
??
?!
Dang, why is it so damn hot down here

UM...
HUH?
"WE'LL GIVE THEM A PRESENT TO MAKE UP."
I DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH OF IT WAS A DREAM, BUT
MASASHI.
I SAID THAT I HATED YOU, BUT... IT WASN'T TRUE.

I KNOW.
I'M SORRY, TOO.
I was acting like a kid
Suddenly I felt ashamed of me because I realized I was acting like a baby.
Let's go back.
IT'S ALL RIGHT. IF YOU'RE SORRY, I FORGIVE YOU.
IF THIS IS NOT A DREAM, IT'S ENOUGH FOR ME...
...TO BE WITH MY BROTHERS.
Are you terribly late?
Yeah, I had to borrow friends
Mr. Tan
You're an idiot
I want one too
What about you? Did you come to see us or not yet?
Dear Kakeyan-kun,
I'm doing well, too.
Sakura Miyashita

Episode 11

SAKURA-CHAN WAS PLAYING A LOT DURING SUMMER VACATION. .

. .EVEN THOUGH SHE'S FACING THE HIGH SCHOOL ENTRANCE EXAMS THIS YEAR

I was studying too

A PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL NEAR THE HOUSE WOULD BE BEST.

High school

LET'S NOT PUT MY HOPES TOO HIGH IN CASE I FAIL THE EXAM

Private schools are too expensive

YOUR REPORT CARDS WILL BE HANDED OUT AT THE END OF THIS MONTH

THAT MEANS IT'S TIME TO BRACE YOURSELVES FOR THE ENTRANCE EXAMS

Sigh

Aaargh

BUT! YOUR FUTURE HOLDS MORE THAN THE EXAMS.

Cheer up!

EVERYONE'S FAVORITE ANNUAL SCHOOL FESTIVAL IS COMING UP!

★ Self introduction ① ★ (It's quite fictional But it's also surprisingly non-fictional.)

Height 16.6cm

Product Name Windup Alarm and Clock

1979's Type B. It tells not-so accurate time when it feels like it

Whaaaaat?!
Didn't you just tell us to have fun for the season?!
That's a lot of work!
LET'S PERFORM A PLAY AND HAVE FUN LIKE LAST YEAR!
I'm counting on you!
DECIDE WHAT PLAY YOU GUYS WANT TO PERFORM! I HAVE TO GO NOW!
WHAT?!
Are we really doing a play?
CHATTER CHATTER
MIYASHITA! YOU'RE IN CHARGE OF THE SCHOOL FESTIVAL, RIGHT?
Come here
OH, YES, SIR.
ずーん
What's this negative energy?
A play again?
Pfft Too much work
In grades usually don't participate in the school festival
HE'S CRUEL TO LEAVE ME WITH THE CLASS LIKE THIS.

IF WE HAVE TO DO A PLAY, LET'S DO A CLASSIC!
I THINK THAT "ROMEO AND JULIET" IS A GOOD IDEA!
BUT THAT SOUNDS LIKE TOO MUCH WORK.
...THE MORE CHALLENGING, THE MORE FUN, I THINK.
I AGREE WITH TANAKA. THIS IS OUR LAST SCHOOL FESTIVAL HERE, SO...
WELL, WE DO HAVE A REPUTATION LAST YEAR, OUR PLAY WAS GREAT, AND WE DID HAVE FUN
SHALL WE GO FOR IT THEN?
YEAH! WHO CARES ABOUT THE ENTRANCE EXAMS?!
THAT'S GOING TOO FAR.
I'M GLAD THAT EVERYONE'S BEHIND IT.
They like festivals after all.
NAKA-CHAN...
SUZUKI-KUN.

But there are also serious people
THAT'S WHY I HATE PEOPLE WITHOUT AMBITION.
カッティーン
YOU MAY HAVE ALREADY GIVEN UP HOPE, BUT I'M TRYING TO ENTER A GOOD HIGH SCHOOL.
I DON'T HAVE THE TIME TO PLAY WITH YOU GUYS.
WHAT DID YOU SAY?!
WHERE'S YOUR SCHOOL SPIRIT?!
WH-WHAT?!
IF YOU HAVE TO STUDY THAT HARD TO PASS THE EXAMS, MAYBE THAT SCHOOL IS NOT FOR YOU.
DOES SCHOOL SPIRIT MEAN TO SABOTAGE OUR ACADEMICS?!

バーン
...FIGHTING!!
STOP...
?!
Mayuhiro
WE'LL HAVE A LOTTERY TO CAST THE PARTS!! GOT IT?!
YOU CAN EITHER PARTICIPATE OR NOT IN THE PREPARATION, EXCEPT DURING STUDY HOURS AND FESTIVAL DAY!!
The boyfriend watching
CLAP CLAP
PEEK
GOOD FOR YOU, SAKURA-CHAN!
Cool!
I'M REALLY PROUD OF YOU, TOO.
Sakura san
Ways to make Change
GOT IT!
Stand tall!

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About the profile... I did the two that I gave up on before.

I make up the story as I go, so I'd be in trouble if I made up their profiles now.

I hope someday I'll be able to decide the characters' personalities, how the story goes, etc., beforehand.

Jeez!
I'M SORRY...
...I SUGGESTED THAT.
I'll definitely stay every day after school. Hmmmhm.
WHOA, THEY REALLY WENT HOME
One two th ee A third of the class is gone

Yeah!
Woooo!
LET THEM GO. LET THE REST OF US HAVE FUN!
WE DON'T WANT APATHETIC PEOPLE ANYWAY
I'LL MAKE THE LOTTERY CARDS. LET'S CAST THE PARTS, EH?
OKAY, I'LL HELP YOU.

JULIET
You're the heroine!
SAKURA
M-MIYASHITA AS JULIET?
You decided that we drew lots. No escape for you! Ha'ha
ガーン
TAP TAP
Ha ha ha'ha'ha'ha!
CONGRAT-ULATIONS, SAKURA! ♡
YOU MUST INVITE YOUR BROTHERS NOW!
ROMEO
You're the hero!!
ドキドキドキドキ
A-AND I AM...?

SIR, WHY DID YOU DRAW ONE?!
WELL! HA HA HA. HOW EMBARRASSING.
Actually, there was also a reason.
I guess it's gonna be a comedy!
He came back before anyone noticed
I'm relieved to have seen...
PROPS
NO?
Takeshi will you read the script with me?
ACT1 DESTINED ENCOUNTER ROMEO → TAKESHI
STARE
CAN'T YOU READ THE SCRIPT?!
(Romeo is cool played by Takei)
Say some thing!
Are you possessed?
STARE
STAAARE

REALLY?! THANKS, TSUYOSHI!
I can't do this anymore
JEEZ, GIVE ME THE BOOK. I'LL HELP YOU PRACTICE INSTEAD.
TSUYOSHI'S ROMEO
Shoot it sets my teeth on edge
"...O, JULIET..."
"MY--- COUGH, COUGH--- D-O..."
"IT IS MY SOUL...THAT CALLS UPON MY NAME."
"O, ROMEO."
"PARTING IS SUCH SWEET SORROW..."
ACT 2 TALKING LOVE
D-SORRY. I'LL PRACTICE BY MYSELF.
This is killing Tsuyoshi
OXYGEN
"... DEAR."
Whaaaa whaaaa
He couldn't even read it

"SLEEP OWELL UPON THINE EYES ..."
"...PEACE IN THY BREAST."
TAKASHI'S ROMEO
"WOULD I WERE SLEEP AND PEACE..."
"...SO SWEET TO REST."
WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO PRACTICE WITH YOU, SAKURA-SAN?

I WAS IN THE PLAY WHEN I WAS IN HIGH SCHOOL!!
Watch!
SLAM
Hold on a minute!!
I CAN PLAY A GOOD ROMEO, TOO, SAKURA-CHAN!!
YOU'RE REALLY GOOD, TAKASHI.
You sure surprised me
Suddenly a different world
"O ROMEO, ROMEO!"
"WHEREFORE ART THOU ROMEO?"
"DENY THY FATHER AND REFUSE THY NAME."
NOD
I think
That's right, he played Juliet in high school
You're good, too
THAT'S JULIET...

I don't want to embarrass myself in front of Masashi...
Huh
BUT SINCE I HAVE TO DO IT...
...I'LL PRACTICE HARD TO BE AS GOOD AS MASASHI!
I'M ROMEO, NOT JULIET.
IDIOT! YOU CAN'T COMPARE YOURSELF WITH HIM!!
Of course you're more Juliet-ish.
I really shouldn't have suggested the lottery
MASASHI LOOKS MUCH MORE LIKE JULIET THAN I DO
Heh heh
I'M WORRIED BECAUSE SHE ALWAYS PUSHES HERSELF.
BUT, SAKURA---
UM, MASASHI...
My Sakura's such a hard worker
OH, BUT I'LL STUDY HARD FOR THE EXAMS, TOO! DON'T WORRY!
Sakura

...I'LL HAVE TO COME HOME LATE BECAUSE I'M IN CHARGE OF PREPARING FOR THE SCHOOL FESTIVAL.
SO, IF YOU'RE NOT BUSY, COULD YOU MAYBE DO THE GROCERY SHOPPING FOR THE WEEK...?
IS THAT OKAY?
WH-WHAT?!
I THINK THIS IS THE FIRST TIME YOU'VE EVER ASKED ME FOR A FAVOR.
Heh heh

かぁ——っ
ASK FOR A FAVOR?
Why not?
I wish I hadn't said that!
BUT IT'S NOT LITTLE...
O-DON'T HUG ME FOR A LITTLE THING LIKE THAT!!
Hey
Panting rabbit? Sweet sorrow
What're you doing?
It's hot!

I ASK FOR TOO MUCH ALL THE TIME
So I'll cook something delicious!
You need a boost in energy
Like a loving mom

I DON'T KNOW WHAT I WOULD WANT IN THE FUTURE, BUT..
I'll read the sea of with you as long as I don't have to be a mom, okay?
If you want to be a mom so much as you're always welcome!

You're memorizing a movie stunt
How energetic. Very good.
Romeo
PLAY REHEARSAL
...I WANT TO DO MY BEST WITH THIS.
CLASS
Stage order
REHEARSAL AT SCHOOL
NOD
"A thousand times good night."
"Madam!"
REHEARSAL AT HOME
I wanna help her study too
Hmph
Just go make our dinner, all right?
STUDY AT HOME
Kotone, try on the costume
I went online and did some research on Juliet's balcony for this
It! We can stick these a the desk and
SCHOOL FESTIVAL COMMITTEE

HOUSEWORK
You should rest a little.
Noo
I'll cook today
I'LL GO HOME NOW. SEE YOU.
YEAH.
Whatever
Here's the cross guys
I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT THEY REALLY GO HOME.
Naka chan is playing the Nurse
HAIR EXTENSION
Ah, I wanna read this already
THAT'S WHY I HATE BOOKWORMS.
Hmmm
WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH HELP HERE, DO WE?
DON'T TELL ME THAT YOU'RE CRUSHING ON MORISHIMA!!
MORISHIMA
What?
WHY ARE YOU TRYING TO DEFEND THEM? AREN'T YOU OH THE FESTIVAL COMMITTEE?
Weird
OH, NO!
HEY! STOP SAYING THINGS LIKE THAT!!

IT'S NOT LIKE THAT!
I'm just
COME ON, LET'S START THE REHEARSAL, EH?
?
Oh, man
I have to go to cram school
IT'S MY FAULT THAT HE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH HELP. I'LL STAY JUST A BIT LONGER
SHE'S EVEN WORKING OVERTIME ALL ALONE.
COSTUMES

SUZUKI-KUN?
Huff
Huff

はぁ
SUZUKI-KUN...
キッ
THE RIGHT CORNER!!!

W-WOW, WOW, WOW!!
SUZUKI-KUN!!!
コーフン
?!
MIYA-SHITA?!
Just as you said!!

WH-WHAT ABOUT YOU? WHAT WERE YOU DOING?
I know you were practicing soccer but
GASP
WERE YOU WORKING ON THE FESTIVAL THINGS?
Why didn't you tell me or Tanaka? We'll help you anytime
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE SO LATE?!

I'm glad that you saw me when I finally got it right
AND I WAS SO BAD THAT I COULDN'T STOP TRYING.
Ha ha
Ah ha
I FOUND THE BALLS THAT THE TEAM FORGOT TO PUT AWAY.
SO I THOUGHT THAT I'D PRACTICE SHOOTING JUST A LITTLE BIT.
5th graders don't participate in practices anymore

DO YOU KNOW WHICH HIGH SCHOOL YOU WANT TO GO TO YET?

HIGASHI HIGH, I GUESS BECAUSE THEY HAVE A GOOD SOCCER TEAM.
I'LL HAVE TO STUDY REAL HARD, THOUGH.
That's Takeshi's school
SOCCER IS YOUR FIRST PRIORITY, HUH?
SO, YOU HAVE A DREAM.
Let's not set my hopes too high, in case I fail the exam
I... WANT A PUBLIC SCHOOL NEAR MY HOUSE. THAT'S ALL I KNOW FOR NOW.
LIKE MORISHIMA-KUN SAID, I DON'T HAVE ANY AMBITION.
ACTUALLY, IT'S NOT REALLY LIKE THAT.
BUT WHAT ABOUT YOU? DO YOU KNOW WHICH SCHOOL YOU WANT?
BTHMP BTHMP
I school!
THAT'S SUZUKI AND MIYASHITA
WHAT ARE THEY DOING HERE SO LATE?
They're still in their school uniforms!

SO I REALLY RESPECT THEM FOR HAVING DREAMS AND GOALS.
I WISH I WASN'T HELPLESS LIKE THIS.
MAYBE I SHOULD HAVE ASKED THEM TO HELP IN THE PREPARATIONS.
U--

YOU'RE NOT HELPLESS!!
NOT ONLY FOR THE SCHOOL FESTIVAL, BUT IN EVERYTHING...
...YOU ALWAYS GIVE YOUR BEST!

IT'S ALSO IMPORTANT TO DEAL WITH THINGS THAT ARE IN FRONT OF YOU NOW, UNDERSTAND?!
UH...
UH-HUH
THANKS, SUZUKI-KUN.

WE CAN STILL ASK MORISHIMA AND OTHERS TO HELP. IT'S NOT TOO LATE.
IF THEY CAN'T...
...THEN LET'S SUPPORT THEIR STUDYING.
YEAH.
EEK
.....
WELL, MAN...
WHAT THE HELL WAS THAT? AN AFTER SCHOOL SPECIAL?

...WE ARE THEIR PEERS, AFTER ALL...
SIR, WHAT HAPPENED?!
I FELL OFF THE BED LAST NIGHT.
Sorry
THEN WHAT ABOUT OUR ROMEO?!
SUZUKI VOLUNTEERS TO PLAY ROMEO!
Eh ?!
THIS IS GOOD FOR YOU, SUZUKI!
EH?

I-I-I CAN'T! I HAVE TO MAKE PROPS.
THEN I'LL MAKE THE PROPS FOR YOU.
?!
WE'VE DECIDED TO HELP YOU GUYS UNTIL WE HAVE TO LEAVE FOR CRAM SCHOOL.
YAAAY!
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IS THAT OKAY, MIYASHITA?
IT LOOKS LIKE.
...THE SCHOOL FESTIVAL IS GOING TO BE FUN.

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20th School Festival
THE SCHOOL FESTIVAL DAY
Heh heh heh.
EXCITED
Um actually
Looks like fun
OH, I'D DRAG HIM OFFSTAGE AND CRUSH HIM COMPLETELY.
IF IT WAS HER CLASSMATE, BEATING HIM UP WOULDN'T BE ENOUGH.
I'M REALLY GLAD THAT HER TEACHER'S PLAYING ROMEO.
First row
DON'T WORRY!! THEY'RE ALL MOUTH! (I THINK.)
Sorry.
TREMBLE
AM I GOING TO BE KILLED AS SOON AS THE CURTAIN OPENS?
This is getting exciting!
Whoa, now they're really like Romeo and Juliet.
I'll pick up your book, Suzuki.

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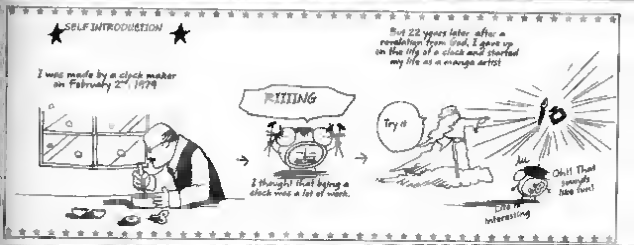
Episode 12

At work
Please consider Masashi as dead
UH-HUH... OKAY.
THEN I'LL SEE YOU IN FRONT OF SUNFLOWER PARK ON SUNDAY.


SELF INTRODUCTION
I was made by a clock maker on February 2nd, 1979
BUILDING
I thought that being a clock was a lot of work.
But 22 years later after a revelation from God, I gave up on the life of a clock and started my life as a manga artist
Try it
Oh!! That sounds like fun!
Like it interesting

TAKESHI'S HIGH SCHOOL HAS A SCHOOL FESTIVAL ON SUNDAY, RIGHT?
YEP.
ARE YOU GOING OUT ON SUNDAY?
HEY, TAKASHI.
No sirree.
SURPRISED
No sirree. I didn't know that there were interpreters
DON'T TELL ME YOU WANT US ALL TO GO.
IS THAT SO? YOU DIDN'T TELL US ABOUT IT LAST YEAR, EITHER, TAKESHI.
AT FIRST, I WAS GOING TO TRY SCHOOLS THAT HAVE EASIER ENTRANCE EXAMS, BUT...
NOD
Is that okay?
I WANT TO SEE YOUR SCHOOL BECAUSE I WANNA GO THERE. SO I'LL COME TO THE FESTIVAL WITH MY FRIENDS
YOU'RE GONNA TRY TAKESHI'S HIGH SCHOOL, HUH?

...I'VE DECIDED TO TRY MY BEST LIKE SUZUKI-KUN.
バサーッ
SAKURA-CHAN! YOU MEAN TO TELL ME THAT YOU GUYS ARE SO CLOSE THAT YOU INSPIRE EACH OTHER?!
IS HE GOING TO THE FESTIVAL WITH YOU?!
Why don't you start by planning a date?
Yours too young to have a date!
N-NAKA-CHAN IS COMING, TOO
Date?!
TAKASHI! TSUYOSHI! WE'LL ALL GO TO TAKESHI'S SCHOOL FESTIVAL WITH SAKURA-CHAN!!
BUT DON'T YOU HAVE A DEADLINE?
I'm NOT going to have to
SAKURA-CHAN IS IN DANGER! I'LL GO EVEN IF I DIE!!

He looks very happy
I DON'T WANT TO BE TROUBLE FOR NAKA-CHAN AND SUZUKI-KUN, BUT...
Hey, aren't you be embarrassed?
Sure
Will you read this and tell me what you think? I can't tell anymore.
Asuma Festival
HIGASHI HIGH SCHOOL
...I'M SORT OF HAPPY THAT WE CAN ALL GO TOGETHER
Where?
IT'S PRETTY LIVELY HERE. MY BROTHER GOES TO HIGASHI HIGH AS WELL, BUT I'VE NEVER BEEN HERE BEFORE
TAKESHI'S CLASS IS MAKING DUMPLINGS FOR A TAKOYAKI SHOP.
Here, this one.

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HEY, THAT SOUNDS YUMM~
HUH?
I've got a present for Chiaki-kun.
DON'T GET TOO CLOSE, KID.
I-I'M SORRY, SIR...

HEEEY! STOP BULLYING SUZUKI-KUN!!
Myuu-shita.
And what in the world are you wearing?!
I shouldn't have come with them...
PROTECTING YOU FROM BAD BOYFRIENDS IS MY DUTY AS YOUR BROTHER!
And this is my battle outfit!!

HE'S MY FRIEND ONLY!!!
FRIEND
ONLY
THUNK
SUZUKI-KUN IS NOT LIKE THAT AT ALL!!
She's the biggest bully in a way.

KITCHEN
Class 3-4 Takoyaki* preparation room
* Popular Japanese dumplings that's main ingredient is diced octopus

LOOK OF RESPECT
ソンケーのまなざし
WOW! TAKESHI IS LIKE A TAKOYAKI MASTER!

I SUGGESTED TO TAKESHI-KUN THAT HE SHOULD WEAR A TOWEL.
CHATTER CHATTER
I'M THE ONE WHO TAUGHT HIM HOW TO MAKE TAKOYAKI!
Hey!
I CAN LOOK LIKE A MASTER IF I WEAR A TOWEL, TOO!
See?
Why don't you wear one?
You're disturbing our work.

UMEDA TAKESHI'S FRIEND
MIYASHITA.
YOUR LITTLE SISTER AND HER PERVERTED GROUPIES ARE HERE.
I'm Takeshi's brother Nice to meet you
THAT OVER THERE IS THE ONLY PERVERT!! REMEMBER THAT!!
UH...
SHUT THE HELL UP, KID!!
Nice to meet you
BOW

YOU BROUGHT YOUR BOYFRIEND TO YOUR BROTHER'S SCHOOL, HUH? HOW BRAVE OF YOU.
OH, UM, I'M NOT...
You'll kill him if you say stuff like that!!!
Just a friend for the rest of my life
Huh?
CARRY THIS WITH YOU.
Remember your proper place boy
Just a friend for the rest of my life
?

Yeah!
NOD
Take them away. They're too noisy.
MIYASHITA, WHY DON'T YOU GIVE THEM A TOUR? WE'LL TAKE OVER HERE.
Aye, sir!
I'M SORRY FOR THE NOISE, AND THANK YOU FOR TAKING GOOD CARE OF MY BROTHER.
Whoa, she's such a polite girl for her age.
BOW
E-EXCUSE ME!
THE FIRST TIME?
NO PROBLEM AT ALL.
Yeah.
I WANT YOU TO HANG OUT WITH HIM AS MUCH AS YOU CAN.
HE SAID THIS WAS THE FIRST TIME HIS FAMILY CAME TO SEE A SCHOOL ACTIVITY. HE WAS VERY HAPPY.
Ladybug!

OH, THAT'S RIGHT...
HE WAS ALSO VERY LITTLE WHEN WE GOT SEPARATED.
WOBBLE
?!
I WAIT
OOPS.
I lost my balance
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, MASASHI? ARE YOU FEELING SICK BECAUSE YOU JUST FINISHED YOUR WORK?
YOU WORKED ALL NIGHT LAST NIGHT, DIDN'T YOU...?
NO, NO, I JUST TRIPPED.
Don't worry

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I have two older sisters I'd like to introduce the younger one to you
Hey
She has a needle because her job is to make clothes
At first she hated my penname because she thought the look of the kanji for "Hari" was creepy. She didn't know it was hiragana
It's not
It's rather scary!!
時計野針
TOKEINO HARI
It's not that interesting, is it? Sorry
MASA--
SAKURA!
It really is good
TAKESHI-SAN'S TAKOYAKI IS TOTALLY GREAT!!
Come here!

SAKURA'S GAZE
BUT TAKESHI LOOKS SO HAPPY.
HUFF, HAFURA-FAN! HAV "AHHH"!
Hey, it's not fair!
TAKESHI! ME, TOO! ME, TOO! GIVE ME ONE!!
Takeyaaaan!
Still have old ore you?
Translation Note: Sakura plays Soy Witch.
IT IS GOOD...
("It is good")
OH.
"WHY DON'T YOU GO HOME AND REST?"
Well this is as good as mine
NOD
Did you hear that Takeshi?! Way to go!
MUNCH MUNCH

I WAS GOING TO SAY THAT TO MASASHI, BUT...
...I CAN'T SAY IT ANYMORE.
Did you see your brother's work of art? You'll be famous!
Oh, you're the famous Sakura-chan!
Hi
GARDENING CLUB
How lovely!
Where's the...
You're a natural
Flowers won't rot. Sakura
Of course
Look! Can I join?
Share your legs at least!
BAM
Ouch
You idiot!
Wa! cosplay girls!
TANAKA'S BROTHER
Class 2-1
Transvestite Café

NOW IT'S GETTING EXCITING!
LET'S GO TO THE SCHOOL FESTIVAL'S MAIN ATTRACTION, THE HAUNTED HOUSE!!
PLEASE DIVIDE INTO GROUPS OF TWO OR THREE PEOPLE
Sign reads: Haunted House

I'M SCARED.
They decided by rock-paper-scissors
WHY THE HELL DO I HAVE TO PAIR UP WITH THIS KID?
FIRST GROUP: SUZUKI AND TSUYOSHI

SECOND GROUP: SAKURA AND MASASHI
DON'T WORRY. I'LL ESCORT SAKURA-CHAN. ENJOY.
Are you okay Suzuki kun?
He he he Don't bully Sakura chan's friend too much

THIRD GROUP:
TAKESHI, NAKA CHAN AND TAKASHI
?
Tanaka-san, that's the wrong use of the expression
WOO-HOO! FLOWERS IN BOTH OF MY HANDS!
Phew. It's pretty dark, isn't it?
SECOND GROUP, PLEASE STAND BY.
I'm scared
You can start in 20 seconds
For Wolf, let's get this over with, kid
FIRST GROUP PLEASE.
HMM?
I DON'T THINK HE'S FEELING SO WELL...
MASASHI...
MA-SASHI
OH, SUUURE YOU CAN!
I'm so happy
...CAN I HOLD YOUR HAND?
Um...
...IT'S REALLY DARK AND I'M SCARED, SO...

DON'T PUSH YOURSELF TOO HARD, OKAY?
IT'S NICE TO SEE THE SCHOOL FESTIVAL.
ESPECIALLY BECAUSE IT MAKES ME FEEL LIKE WE'RE A COUPLE... ♡
HOW CAN YOU SAY THAT IN THAT OUTFIT?
AND I GOT TO SEE TAKESHI DOING WELL AT SCHOOL.
FUMIKO-SAN AND DAD WERE ALWAYS EXCITED TO COME TO THINGS LIKE THIS, TOO. NOW I REALLY KNOW HOW THEY FELT.
HE WAS ACTING GOOFY JUST A MOMENT AGO.
You can enter now.

BUT SOMETIMES...
MASASHI SHOWS HIS BIG BROTHER SIDE
RELAX, DUDE. YOU'RE SAKURA'S FRIEND, RIGHT? IT'S NOT AS THOUGH I'M REALLY GONNA KILL YOU
As long as you're just a friend
Stop being so nervous Jeez
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RUB
SO...

GYAAAAH!!
What the hell was that?!
Something slimy touched my face!
P-PLEASE CALM DOWN...
We at was that?
YOU LAUGHED AT ME, DIDN'T YOU?!
U-UM, IT'S OKAY.
IT'S JUST GOOEY CAKE.

Waaaahhh!!
No, I didn't!
Ahhhhhh!!
Bam
I'll KILL you!!
Suzuki?
Oh.
WH-WHAT HAPPENED, I WONDER...
That was Tsuyoshi's and Suzuki kun's voices weren't it?
MASASHI...?

MASASHI?!
UROH...
it hurts~

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, SAKURA-SAN?
?!
TAKASHI!
JUST LACK OF SLEEP
...HE JUST FELL ASLEEP.
LOOKS LIKE...
SAKURA-SAN'S BETWEEN TWO COOL, HANDSOME MALES!
Mmm Just 5 more minutes
NURSE'S OFFICE

WE'LL GO LOOK FOR TSUYOSHI-KUN AND SUZUKI-KUN.
OH, I'LL GO WITH YOU.
Class 3-4
YOU STAY BY MASASHI-SAN'S SIDE AND ENJOY HIS SLEEPING FACE.
WHAT?!
Cozy, eh?
カラカラ
See ya
She's always like that. Jeez...

.....
POINT
YOU'RE AN IDIOT, MAGASHI.
YOU PUSH YOURSELF TOO MUCH.
TO HANG OUT WITH SAKURA-CHAN...
...I'LL PUSH MYSELF AS MUCH AS I CAN.
!
.....!

IF THAT WAS THE REASON YOU WERE PUSHING YOURSELF, I'D HAVE SENT YOU HOME A LONG TIME AGO!!!
IDIOT!!
Meep
JUST BECAUSE YOU COULDN'T MAKE IT LAST YEAR AND THE YEARS BEFORE--
THAT'S WHY.
YOU CAME HERE FOR YOUR BROTHER TAKESHI, TOO, RIGHT?

She's embarrassed about what she just said!
Did I just say that?!
YOU LOVE ACTING LIKE A BIG BROTHER. I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE THINKING.
I CAN SEE RIGHT THROUGH YOU.
UH, I THINK I'LL GO LOOK FOR TSUYOSHI, TOO!!
You have a rest okay?!
Heh

NO, YOU STAY HERE.

RIGHT NOW...
...I'M IN THE MOOD TO BE SPOILED BY YOU.
WHAT ARE YOU ...?
JEEZ! FINE, I'LL BE HERE! REST UP!
I don't want to
You can relax now

YOU WERE JUST HIDING YOUR EMBARRASSMENT, RIGHT, TSUYOSHI-KUN?
We got lost because of you, though!
STOP COWERING ALREADY! I WAS JUST KIDDING! DAMN!
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Tsuyoshi-kun
Waaah, I'm lost!
Oh, he. I see.
SAKURA-SAN--
They're sleeping
スヤスヤ
THEY LOOK JUST LIKE...
...SISTERS, DON'T THEY?
I don't want a brother who looks like a sister dammit

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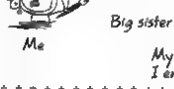
Episode 13

Michael Sumichrast, an economist and publisher of a construction newsletter said that history could well repeat about 650 million pounds (300 million kg) a year down from the record 1.6 billion pounds (720 million kg) in the mid-1970s.

The three consecutive de-

ONE SUNDAY IN FALL, I WENT OUT FOR A RARE WALK ALONE.
Usually my brothers try to come with me
THE BREEZE WAS GETTING A LITTLE COOLER AND IT FELT NICE.

The self-introductions I wrote before were actually written for the first magazine installment of *Me and My Brothers*



My sister liked them so much, I ended up using them again

BUT I HAD NO IDEA...
...IT WAS THE SILENCE BEFORE THE STORM.
?!

PHEW...
THE GIRL WHO FELL WITH THOSE LEAVES...
...HAD BLOND HAIR AND BLUE EYES.
THAT WAS A MITE FRIGHTFUL.
I slipped
RIN THE NINJA, AT YER SERVICE, MA'AM!
Just kidding
SHE WAS A WEIRD PERSON WITH A WEIRD ACCENT.
Whaddya mean?

Are you okay?
UM, WHAT WERE YOU DOING IN THE TREE?
Tarnation! you ain't just cute but smart, too.
WEEELL, I WAS A'LOOKING FOR SOMEONE.
Ya can see far from a tree, right?
HM?
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HMMM?
H-H-HOW DO YOU KNOW MY NAME?
CAN YA BE SAKURA-CHAN?!
I know ya are! Darn tootin'
WHAT?
HOW? WEEEELL, IT MUST BE DESTINY, GIRL.

LOOK, THIS IS THE DARLIN' I WAS HANKERIN' FOR. ♥
Laundry clean pants to be to
.....
ZOO
?!
THAT'S IT!! I WANT A DIVORCE!!
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, "HONEY" ?!
I'll write to Dr. Phil!!
CLOSE THE WINDOW! IT'S COLD!
Your room also gives me the chills!
What?!
NO, YOU ARE THE COLD ONE, HONEY!!

WILL YOU STOP THAT EMBARRASSING FIGHT, PLEASE?
We have a guest!
Tsuyoshi is getting carried away.
YOU'RE GONNA PAY A HUGE SETTLEMENT FOR THIS!
GOOD! I'M SO DONE WITH YOU!
Zoo
OH, MASA-CHAN?!
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Can it be?
RIN-CHAN?!
WHAT?
But...
I'll bring you souvenirs
SAKURA, I'M GOING OUT OF TOWN FOR A WHILE.
Don't that beat all? To look like a woman!
Look at you! You're so cute!
OH, MY GOD! LONG TIME NO SEE!
♥
Zoo
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DON'T COME NEAR ME!! YOUR STUPIDITY IS CONTAGIOUS!!!
Go back to the hills monkey!!
Where did you get that butterfly net?
YOU CAN'T ESCAPE FROM ME, DARLIN'!
♥
IS SHE YOUR GIRLFRIEND, TSUYOSHI-KUN?
She's cute
YOU'RE DEAD TO ME NOW, TAKASHI!
I'm 19 don'cha know
Hi again
I'M RIN MORIMOTO.
My dad is Swiss and mom is Japanese I'm half Japanese
He's not used to it
Tsuyoshi kun
Hi!!
BAH
TSUYOSHI!!
Just let him a
Don't take it out on Takashi!!

I CAME TO SEE THE COLLEGE.
SINCE Y'ALL ARE HERE, I DECIDED TO GET MY LEARNIN' IN TOKYO.
THAT'S MY NEIGHBORHOOD FRIEND FROM WHEN I WAS A KID.
YOU SHOULD GIVE UP ON COLLEGE. YOU'RE NOT SMART ENOUGH.
SO...WHY ARE YOU HERE, RIN?
WHY DON'T YOU JUST KILL ME? SERIOUSLY!!
TSU-YOSHI!
AW, SHUCKS! WHAT SHOULD I DO?
IS THAT A PROPOSAL?!
じゃーん
I BROUGHT Y'ALL A BIG MESS OF VITTLES AS A TOKEN OF MY APPRECIATION! ♥
YOU MEAN YOU PLANNED TO STAY?!!
AW... SHUCKS...
SO, RIN-CHAN, YOU CAN STAY HERE TONIGHT, RIGHT?

I didn't wanna tell you such a scary thing before, but...
SAKURA, LISTEN UP.
Y-YEAH?
No you can't!!!
THEN YOU CAN SLEEP IN MY ROOM WITH--
WAIT.
ZOO
I'm a boy at heart
FAKE GAY
Hey, stop that!
NO, I'M NOT. I'M A GIRL AT HEART.
RIN IS A GUY.
Has any Reality
REAL GAY GUY!
WHAT?
ZOO
Yay!
Then you can stay in my room with me
Woo-hoo! Thanks!
THAT IS WHY
They get along so well

Don't throw that table.
WHO CARES?! DON'T STARE AT ME!! DAMMIT!!!
BUT IT'S BEEN TWO YEARS SINCE YA MOVED OUT.
BLEACH
IT'S RIGHT GOOD, AIN'T IT? I MADE IT...
Thoughtful hum
...DARLIN'!
Tsk
I WISH YOU HADN'T DONE THAT.
BUT YA WOULDN'T CONTACT HIM YERSELF, TARNATION!
Rin's accent is contagious.
THAT'S QUITE A LONG SPELL TO NEVER COME BACK.
YET UNCLE SAID THAT HE KNEW ABOUT THIS HOUSE BECAUSE MASA-CHAN SENT HIM A POSTCARD.
COME TO THINK OF IT, HE TOLD ME ABOUT HIS HOUSE BEFORE, AND IT DIDN'T SOUND GOOD.
"THE HOUSE I LIVED IN WAS NOT LIKE TAKESHI'S. IT WAS TERRIBLE."

I JUST FORGOT TO TELL HIM ABOUT THE HOUSE.
THERE'S NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT, SAKURA.
Y-YEAH.
Okay
.....
MASASHI'S ROOM
BUT STILL...
THE HOUSE TSUYOSHI STAYED IN?
...I CAN'T HELP BUT WORRY ABOUT IT.
SORRY TO BOTHER YOUR WORK.
NOT AT ALL.
TSUYOSHI DIDN'T EXPLAIN. THAT MUST HAVE MADE YOU WORRY.
HONEST MASASHI
WELL, TSUYOSHI AND UNCLE DIDN'T GET ALONG AT ALL.
OH, THE UNCLE WHO TOOK TSUYOSHI IN IS DIVORCED AND STILL SINGLE, SO ONLY TWO OF THEM LIVED IN THE HOUSE. THEY OFTEN HAD FIGHTS.
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Parents get along. Fight.

KNOCK KNOCK
CAN I COME IN?
TSUYOSHI, I HAVE SOMETHING MIGHTY IMPORTANT TO TELL YA.
IDIOT! DON'T OPEN THE DOOR WITHOUT ASKING ME!
Sure
THANKS, TAKE-CHAN.
DON'T LEAVE ME ALONE WITH HIM!
Take your time.
TSUYOSHI... YER COMMENCIN' TO HURT MY FEELINGS.
Don't reject me like that.
WE EVEN TOOK A BATH TOGETHER, REMEMBER?
THAT'S WHEN WE WERE KIDS!! AND I'LL REGRET IT FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE!!
Get off me, you!
ZOO
JEEZ SO. WHAT'S THIS IMPORTANT STORY OF YOURS?
...TSUYOSHI... ARE YA STILL MAD AT HIM?

NOTHING TO BE MAD ABOUT.
HE HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH ME ANYMORE.
BUT HE'S STILL YER UNCLE! YA LIVED WITH HIM FOR YEARS!
SHUT UP! SO WHAT?!
YOU KNOW HIM. HE OFTEN DIDN'T COME HOME.
EVEN WHEN HE DID, HE WOULDN'T REALLY TALK TO ME. HE WAS ALWAYS BUSY.
AND IF I COMPLAINED, WE ENDED UP YELLING AT EACH OTHER. DOES THAT SOUND LIKE WE LIVED TOGETHER?
YER RIGHT! I DO KNOW HIM! THAT'S WHY I WANT YA TO UNDERSTAND.
OH, HERE! I FOUND THIS AT HIS HOUSE WHEN I VISITED HIM THE OTHER DAY. LOOK...
I SAID I HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH HIM ANYMORE!!
WHOA!

AT LEAST TAKE A GANDER AT THIS!
SHOOT.
COME HERE I HAVE SOMETHING TO TELL YOU.
HOW LONG DO YOU HAVE TO KEEP CRYING, TSUYOSHI?
I'M TAKING YOU IN, BUT
I'LL FEED YOU AND LET YOU GO TO SCHOOL, BUT YOU BETTER FIND A WAY TO BE INDEPENDENT SOON.
...I'M NOT GOING TO THINK OF YOU AS MY SON, OR MYSELF AS YOUR FATHER.
UNDERSTAND?

I DON'T CARE EVEN IF I CAN'T GO IN.
SHUT UP. THIS IS NOT MY HOME.
DID YA RILE HIM UP AND HE SHUT YA OUTTA HOME AGAIN, TSUYOSHI?
DO YA WANT ME TO GO APOLOGIZE WITH YA?
EVEN IF I COULDN'T GO IN EVER AGAIN, THERE WAS NO CHOICE BUT TO WAIT.
SHUT UP, SHUT UP! IT'S ONLY BECAUSE I HAD NOWHERE ELSE TO GO.
THEN WHY..
...ARE YA WAITIN' FOR HIM HERE?
...UNCLE CALLED ME.
WHEN TSUYOSHI REALLY RAN AWAY FROM HOME...
THAT UNCLE IS STUBBORN.

I KNOW YOU LIVE FAR AWAY, BUT WILL YOU GO PICK HIM UP FOR ME?
I FOUND OUT WHERE HE IS. AND...UH... HEY, YOU'RE STILL ON SUMMER VACATION, RIGHT?
THEN, WHY...
HE'LL CHEER UP IF HE SEES HIS FAMILY'S FACE.
...DON'T YOU GO PICK HIM UP?
THAT'S WHAT I THOUGHT AT THE TIME.

...UNCLE IS COLD?
DO YOU THINK
Tsuyoshi used to be cute and very close to me back then.
THAT'S HOW I BECAME FRIENDS WITH RIN-CHAN.
SINCE THEN, I STARTED TO VISIT TSUYOSHI DURING HOLIDAYS.
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Very fat
...THEN IT IS TRUE THAT TSUYOSHI HAD A TOUGH CHILDHOOD.
BUT...
I... I DON'T KNOW...
RIN-CHAN?
UPSET
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AND I THINK THAT IS...
...VERY SAD.
UPSET

I FOUND SOMETHING RIGHT NICE TO MAKE TSUYOSHI AND UNCLE GET BACK TOGETHER.
SOB
Something right nice?
BUT TSUYOSNI SNUT ME OUT BEFORE I COULD SNOW IT TO HIM
I SEE.
Hmph!
Has telling someone right nice worked before?
BUT I WON'T GIVE UP!!
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I DON'T KNOW ABOUT TSUYOSHI'S PAST.
I DON'T KNOW ABOUT ANYTHING, BUT...
'CAUSE I DON'T WANT THE MEMORY OF HIS TIME WITH ME TO BE SAD.
THAT MAKES ME SAD.
.....
...I'M GLAD.
.....
...THAT HE HAD A FRIEND LIKE YOU, RIN-CHAN.

DO YA KNOW HOW I RECOGNIZED YER FACE?
HM?
YOU'RE A SWEET GIRL-- JUST AS I THOUGHT.
I DO HAVE A FAMILY, YOU KNOW?
WHEN TSUYOSHI HAD A FIGHT WITH UNCLE, HE WOULD LOOK AT A PICTURE ALBUM
WHEN I ASKED HIM ABOUT IT, HE TOLD ME THAT THOSE WERE THE PICTURES OF HIS FAMILY.
SHE'S CUTE, ISN'T SHE? MY BROTHERS AND I NAMED HER "SAKURA."
THIS IS YER DAD, AND THIS IS YER MOM, RIGHT? ARE THESE 'UNS ALL YER BROTHERS? AND WHO'S THIS GIRL?
MY SISTER.

BECAUSE I WANTED TO SEE HIM SMILE...
Honestly I was jealous
WHEN I POINTED AT YER PICTURE...
..HE'D ALWAYS SHOW ME THE BEST SMILE.
...I'D ALWAYS ASK HIM TO SHOW ME YER PICTURES.
THAT'S HOW I RECOGNIZED YA AT ONCE.
I ENVY YA, SAKURA-CHAN
BECAUSE TSUYOSHI CARES SO MUCH ABOUT YA

...THERE WAS SOMEONE TO SEE AND ENJOY THE PICTURES WITH HIM.
...TSUYOSHI SMILED BECAUSE...
BUT, RIN-CHAN...
...UNCLE FELT THAT HE WAS LEFT OUT.
'CAUSE TSUYOSHI LOVED YOU AND HIS FAMILY SO MUCH ..
I THINK THAT UNCLE OF HIS WAS JUST JEALOUS
?!

YOU!
!!!
GOOD NIGHT, Y'ALL.
WELL, MY BUSINESS IS DONE NOW I'LL HEAD HOME TOMORROW, I THINK
TO TELL YA THE TRUTH...
UNCLE ASKED ME TO COME HERE TO SEE HOW YER DOIN'
WHAT RIN-CHAN CALLED "SOMETHING RIGHT NICE"
... WAS AN ALBUM WITH PICTURES OF TSUYOSHI.

TOSSLE
WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING AT THAT'S MAKING YOU CRY?
I FOUND ONE PICTURE.
IN THE PICTURE, TSUYOSHI AND A MAN I DON'T KNOW ARE AWKWARDLY STANDING A BIT APART FROM EACH OTHER.
BUT THE MAN'S EYES LOOKED LIKE
...THEY WERE LOOKING AT TSUYOSHI WITH PARENTAL LOVE.

...JERK.
WHY ARE YOU REVEALING AN EXPRESSION LIKE THAT NOW?
UNCLE'S WAY OF EXPRESSING HIS LOVE IS DIFFICULT TO UNDERSTAND...
Why are you still crying?
Because I'm happy.
But I've never seen this picture before. Is it here just to make me feel sad?
...BUT IT MUST HAVE REACHED TSUYOSHI BY NOW.

WHY DIDN'T HE COME TO SEE ME OFF?!
HE'S SO COLD!!
I HAVEN'T SEEN HIM TODAY.
IT'S WEIRD. I THOUGHT HE WAS OFF TODAY.
I DON'T CARE ANYMORE.
THIS DANG LOVE OF MINE IS HOPELESS ANYWAY. I S'POSE WE AIN'T DESTINED TO BE TOGETHER.

WHAT IF HE REALLY HATES ME?
ダーン!!
RIN!
CATCH IT!
HUH?
!

COME AGAIN, YOU STUPID MONKEY.
AND TELL THAT JERK...
...TO COME AND SEE HOW I'M DOING WITH HIS VERY OWN EYES.

THE PHONE RANG THAT NIGHT.
RIIING
HOW ARE YOU DOING?
HOW DID TSUYOSHI FEEL WHEN HE PICKED UP THE PHONE, I WONDER?
I'LL LEAVE IT TO YOUR SWEET IMAGINATION.

Me & My Brothers
Episode 14
Christmas present
SANTA CLAUS
Christmas present

I see.
WHAT DID YOU ASK SANTA CLAUS FOR?
YES, I'D LIKE TO HEAR, TOO.
I UNDERSTAND. I ONCE WAS AN INNOCENT CHILD LIKE THAT.
YEAH, I HAVE THE SAME PROBLEM.
MY GRANDSON STILL BELIEVES IN SANTA CLAUS, AND HE WOULDN'T TELL ME WHAT HE WANTS FOR CHRISTMAS.
Masashi joined the neighborhood park beautification association
BURNABLE TRASH

THEY HAD A CONVERSATION LIKE THIS AT THE END OF FALL.
LET ME SEE...
Oh?
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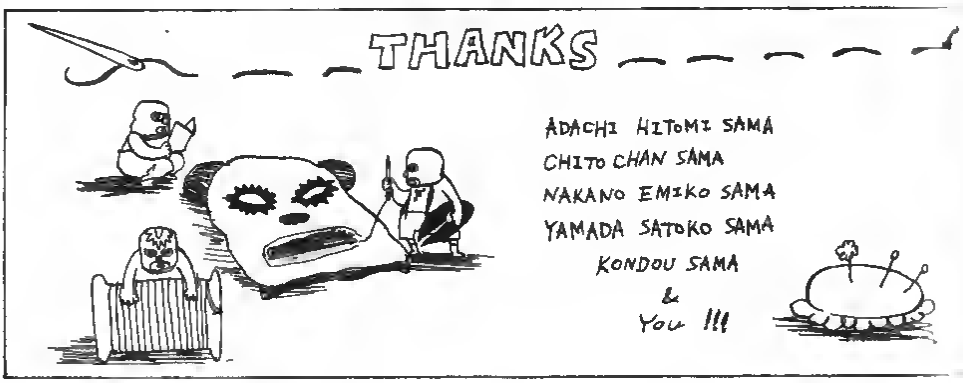

THANKS
ADACHI HITOMI SAMA
CHITO CHAN SAMA
NAKANO EMIKO SAMA
YAMADA SATOKO SAMA
KONDOU SAMA
&
YOU !!!

IT'S THE HEIGHT OF WINTER. CHRISTMAS IS ALMOST HERE.
BUT SADLY, I'M EXPECTING EXAMS SOON
I have no time to think about Christmas
Quadratic Equation
Ooh!
Come join our neighborhood party association for Christmas Eve party!
Here comes!
Papa?
HMMM?
OH!

WHY ARE YOU IGNORING ME?!
HMM
Theorem of Pythagoras
$a^2+b^2=c^2$
HI, SAKURA-CHAN!
Christmas Tree
I KNOW THAT YOU WERE GOING TO BE SANTA CLAUS FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, BUT... AREN'T YOU EMBARRASSED, MASASHI?
That outfit
.....
Whaaat?
BY THE WAY, SAKURA-CHAN, IT'S GOOD THAT YOU'RE STUDYING HARD, BUT...
...DON'T READ STUDY CARDS AND WALK AT THE SAME TIME. IT'S DANGEROUS.
Why? Don't I look good in it?
...BUT...
Ah!
Don't worry yourself!
Christmas Party

I GOT HORRIBLE MARKS ON MY MATH FINAL THIS YEAR.
That awful unlucky number. Although the most important exam is almost here.
I DON'T WANT TO WORRY HIM, SO I MUST STUDY AS HARD AS I CAN.
Bye bye.
ずぼっ
?!
DON'T BE HASTY. TAKE IT EASY.

I don't care anymore
Ho ho ho
What do you mean?!
LOOK AT ME! MY DEADLINE IS THE DAY AFTER TOMORROW, BUT THERE'S NOT EVEN ONE WORD ON THE PAPER.
YOU'VE GOT TO HURRY!!!
YOU HAVE NO TIME FOR WEARING DUMB OUTFITS!!

It's not dumb!
REFRESHING YOUR MIND IS IMPORTANT, YOU KNOW!
No way!!
You should try it!
I'M MORE CREATIVE WHEN I WEAR THIS. IT STIRS UP MY EVERYDAY LIFE!
THEN START WRITING ALREADY!! ALL YOU DO IS STIR UP EVERYDAY LIFE!!
My everyday life I mean!

ZZZ

I see
I wonder if he's sleep here...
THEN SHOULD I WAKE HIM...
...UP?
He's expecting exams, too.
I agree.
TSUYOSHI LOOKS TIRED. HE SHOULD SLEEP IN HIS BED.
BUT HE HAS TO GO TO WORK SOON.
WHISPER
MGAH.
TWITCH
Hee hee
TICKLE TICKLE
lot.
DIE.
WHAT'S WITH THAT HAMMER?! YOU READ TOO MUCH MANGA!!
Oh he woke up.

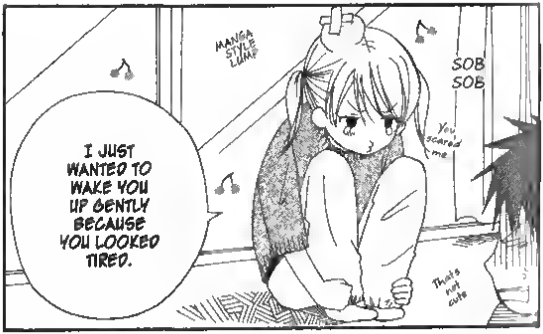
☆ † ☆

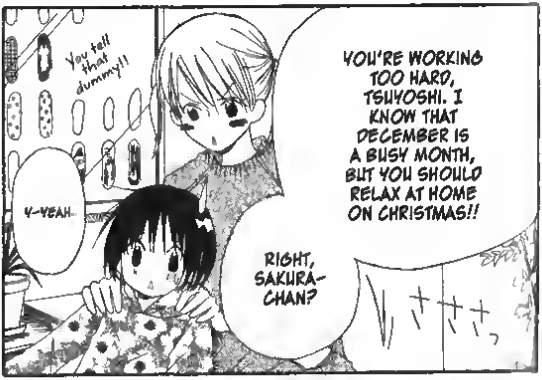
About fireflies

When I was on a firefly hunt, I really slapped them to the ground.
A lot of people around me have never even seen fireflies. I thought that everyone slapped them with a fan to catch them, but now I'm not so sure. Let me know if you think I'm correct. Let's make the "Firefly Slapping Association."

—Firefly fans will kill me

I'm sorry. I won't do it again



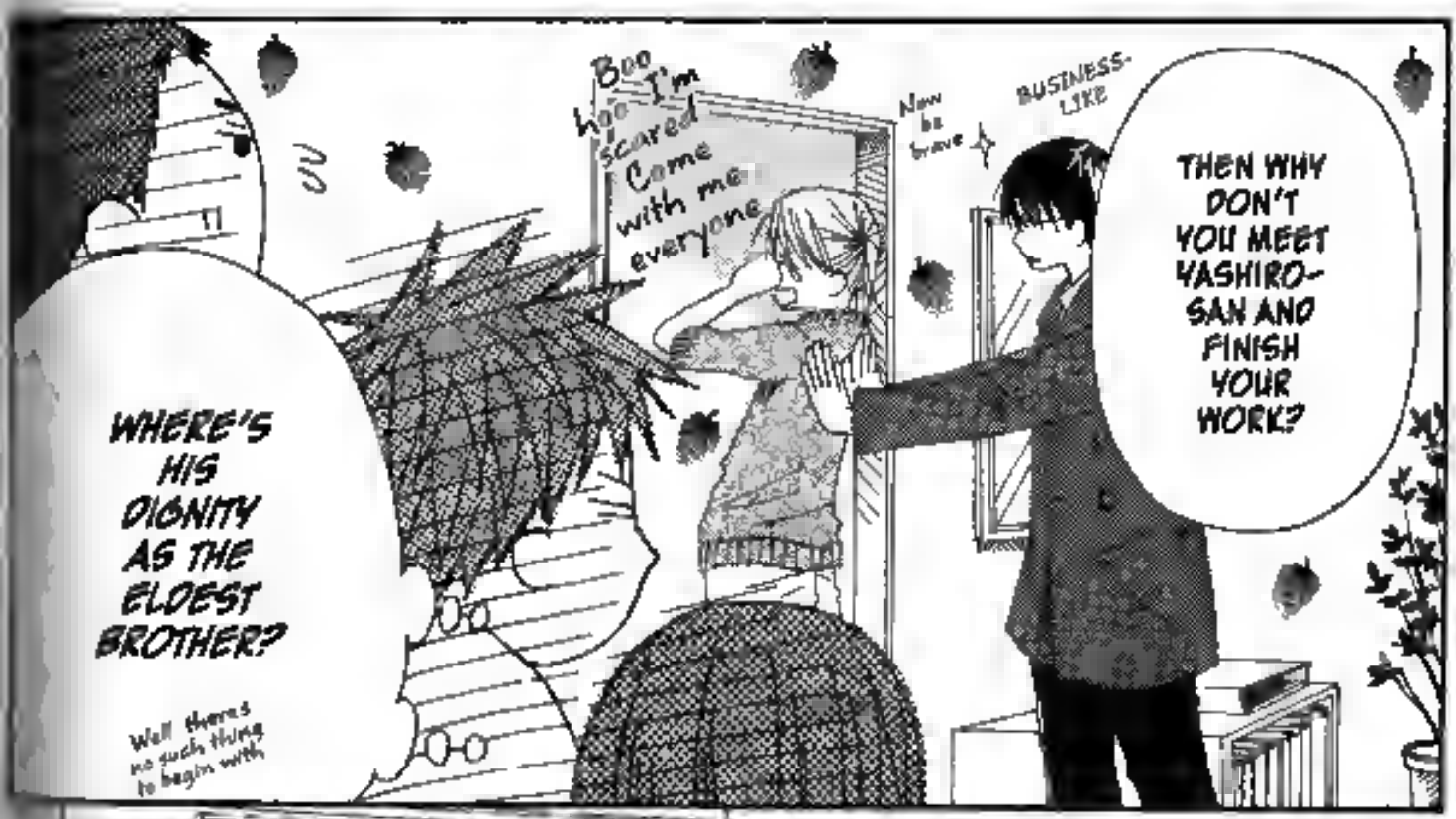

You tell that dummy!!
Y-YEAH.
YOU'RE WORKING TOO HARD, TSUYOSHI. I KNOW THAT DECEMBER IS A BUSY MONTH, BUT YOU SHOULD RELAX AT HOME ON CHRISTMAS!!
RIGHT, SAKURA-CHAN?

I AGREE. YOU SHOULDN'T WORK TOO HARD.
You'll collapse someday
But Christmas is the best time to make money
Don't use Sakura. Shoot

...I'LL THINK OF A DESSERT THAT EVEN YOU CAN EAT SINCE YOU DON'T LIKE CAKES.
THIS YEAR, TSUYOSHI...
Heh heh heh
I KNOW!
She's not listening
ガシャン
MY DEAR SISTER
MONEY
For me...!
EVERYONE MUST PARTY ON CHRISTMAS DAY!!!
Yeah!
I'LL GO TELL THE MANAGER THAT I CAN'T WORK ON CHRISTMAS DAY, OKAY?
YOU COME HOME LATE THESE DAYS. DON'T WORK TOO HARD OR THEY'LL BITCH ABOUT IT.
YEAH.
Hi
LOOKS LIKE A PARTY. ARE YOU GOING TO WORK NOW, TSUYOSHI-KUN?

Masashi
びくっ
She's from the publishing house. She's also Masashi's college friend
BY THE WAY, MASASHI. YOUR EDITOR, YASHIRO-SAN, IS WAITING FOR YOU OUTSIDE THE HOUSE.
Oh, yeah, you have an advanced belt don't you?
"Bitch about it"?
I'VE BEEN ASKED TO COACH THE KENDO CLUB.
...MASASHI.
DO YOU WANT ME TO TELL HER THE TRUTH? SHOULD I TELL HER YOU'VE WRITTEN NOTHING BECAUSE YOU'VE BEEN TOO BUSY WORKING WITH THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION?
URRGH...
Go alone, idiot!
Let's go Sakura chan
TAKASHI.
TELL HER THAT MASASHI WENT ON A JOURNEY TO SEEK TRUE LOVE.
What!?!

I WAS KIDDING! I WAS JUST KIDDING!
Don't give up on me!
W a i t !!
I can't leave Sakura-san to someone like that
AND THAT YOU IRRESPONSIBLY ABANDONED YOUR WORK AND RAN AWAY? OKAY, THEN...


WHERE'S HIS DIGNITY AS THE ELDEST BROTHER?
Well there's no such thing to begin with
Boo hoo I'm scared Come with me everyone
Now be brave
BUSINESS-LIKE
THEN WHY DON'T YOU MEET YASHIRO-SAN AND FINISH YOUR WORK?

S-SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAITING, YASHIRO-SENPAI ♥
You're looking beautiful as always.
OH, COME ON, MIYASHITA-KUN.
DON'T TRY TO FLATTER ME, AND DON'T YOU DARE TELL ME THAT YOU HAVEN'T WRITTEN ANYTHING.
I guess it's really obvious.
Shoddy Book
So she wrote...
Hmmm?
CHRISTMAS IS ALMOST HERE. I HAVE A PRESENT FOR YOU.
BUT IF YOU HAVEN'T, YOU HAVEN'T. I GUESS IT'S OKAY.
WHAT ...?
I BOOKED A ROMANTIC HOTEL ROOM WITH A GREAT VIEW OF THE NIGHTSCAPE.

SNAP
TAKE HIM!! NOW!!
Ahgak!
Y-YOU MEAN...
R-romantic?
カシ
NO...
Sakura-chan! Help!!
Don't let him out until he finishes writing, okay?
NOOOOO!! I DON'T WANT TO BE CONFINED TO A HOTEL ROOOOOOOOM!
M-Masashi
Who are these guys, exactly?

I WILL NEVER MAKE HER MY ENEMY...
CAN YOU BRING ME HIS LAPTOP AND SOME CLOTHES?
AS YOU CAN SEE, YOUR BROTHER WILL BE IN MY CUSTODY FOR A WHILE.
Let me out!!
OH, NOT AT ALL. YOU'RE SUCH A POLITE GIRL.
His laptop is in the bag
HERE YOU GO.
UM, THANK YOU FOR TAKING GOOD CARE OF MY BROTHER.
Phone, it's Ichiro.
I'm off to work, sorta.
WHAT?!
MAYBE I'LL TAKE EXCEPTIONALLY GOOD CARE OF YOUR BROTHER WHILE HE'S IN THE HOTEL ROOM.

Oh, that was funny
CAN YOU TAKE ME TO THE STATION, TAKASHI-KUN?
SORRY, BUT WE DON'T HAVE A CAR. I'LL CALL A TAXI FOR YOU.
NOW, HE'S MY TYPE.
I'M JUST KIDDING! ME? GIVE "GOOD CARE" OF ANY KIND?! HELL, NO!
Ha Ha Ha Ha Ha
TH-THIS WOMAN...
Ah Ha Ha Ha Ha Ha Ha
YASHIRO-SENPAI...
Don't play with Sakura-san as if she were a toy
She's so cute!
THWAK
THWAK
Toy ?
And Takashi-kun went for a walk
Promise to come back Takashi!!!
WHAT? UM...
Let's go!
OH, DON'T WORRY. I'LL GET ONE ON THE WAY.
I FEEL SORRY FOR SAKURA-CHAN, BUT...
Every time I see him, he seems increasingly more like a housewife
...I DON'T THINK THAT MIYASHITA-KUN CAN WRITE A GOOD ROMANCE NOVEL IN A HAPPY FAMILY ATMOSPHERE
I'M SORRY TO HAVE BOTHERED YOU.
OH, NO.

I COULD NEVER TELL HER THAT HE PARTICIPATES IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION...
THAT'S HARSH.
BUT I MUST ADMIT THAT HE'S HAVING A TOUGHER TIME THAN USUAL.
WELL, HE'S A DIFFICULT MAN TO UNDERSTAND ANYWAY.
ALL I CAN DO NOW IS PRAY.
SORRY ABOUT MY BROTHER.
Tomorrow is the 22nd and his deadline is on the 23rd...
わしっ
?!
TOSSLE
TOSSLE
Cheer up
I-I'M FINE. DON'T WORRY, TAKESHI.
I'LL BE WAITING FOR YOU, SO...

...I CAAAAN'T THINK OF ANYTHING ELSE...
SIGH
I can't write
...GOOD LUCK, MASASHI.
NO LUCK SO FAR
I wanna go home
WHAT DID I ASK SANTA FOR?
Ngh Ngh
Plane
Car
A doll?
December 22
December 23
For Tsuyoshi I'm making cheese cookies that aren't sweet
I'm not dead!
HIS DEADLINE HAS ALREADY PASSED..
...AND TODAY IS CHRISTMAS EVE. MASASHI IS STILL GONE.
I'm sorry about my brother
Never mind Work is more important

That's your finger!!!
NOW I CUT THIS, AND--
Oh!
OOPS.
Finally he woke up...
WHOA! WHAT'S THIS?!
ROLL
ROLL
ROLL
ROLL
ROLL
ROLL
Answer: cookie dough
SAKURA, TAKE A LITTLE REST. I'M BEGGING YOU.
It's bad for my heart
Put that knife down
HUH?
Why?
TAKASHI KNOWS THE NUMBER OF THE HOTEL.
WHY DON'T YOU CALL MASASHI?
You can hear his voice at least
!

You two are so close...
I'll be home soon.
Good girl, all right?
Mommy?
WHAT?! I'M NOT A 3-YEAR-OLD WHO MISSES HER MOMMY!
I'M NOT LIKE...
Whoa! Stop that!
WELL, SAKURA-SAN...
"It's necessary, especially at a time like this," is what Asahi likely say.
...DON'T YOU THINK THAT MASASHI NEEDS TO REFRESH HIS MIND A BIT?
LOOKS LIKE HIS WORK IS NOT GOING WELL.
!
THEN START WRITING ALREADY!! ALL YOU DO IS STIR UP EVERYDAY LIFE!!
My everyday life, I mean!
I CAN BE MORE CREATIVE BY WEARING THIS. IT STIRS UP MY EVERYDAY LIFE!
REFRESHING YOUR MIND IS IMPORTANT, YOU KNOW?!

IF I MUST, FOR MASASHI'S SAKE...
...I'LL HELP HIM REFRESH HIS MIND.
SAKURA-CHAN THROWS HER HEAD BACK
ぶんぶん
YOU'RE RIGHT.
IF HE KEEPS PUTTING OFF HIS WORK, THAT'D HURT YASHIRO-SAN'S REPUTATION AS WELL.
NOD
NOD
Hmm?
...YOU'RE A CONTRARIAN.
Here
That's so cute
BROTHERLY LOVE
SAKURA...
PUMA
I'LL GO BORROW SOMETHING FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION, SO GET READY TO LEAVE, EVERYONE!!
WHAT ...?
ホイホイ
ピュー
ハキハキ

OH IS THAT PROVIDED BY THE HOTEL?
?
MOMMY, LOOK! REINDEER!
?!
MIYASHITA-KUN.
Heh heh
The deadline was yesterday. Why are you sleeping?
I'LL TELL YOU!! PLEASE PUT THAT THING DOWN!!
...I'LL SHAVE YOUR HEAD. ♡
VIZZZZ
...IF YOU DON'T TELL ME WHY IT'S TAKING SO LONG...

WHEN I WAS A CUTE, ANGEL OF A BOY, I ASKED SANTA FOR SOMETHING.
I JUST CAN'T REMEMBER WHAT.
WELL...
TWINKLE
TWINKLE
I CAN'T WORK BECAUSE ALL I CAN THINK OF IS THE PRESENT I ASKED FOR FROM SANTA!!!
What should I do?!
It's on the tip of my tongue!! All I remember is how fun it was to think about it!!
Well now...
LET'S SHAVE.
Weird
HOW STUPID CAN YOU POSSIBLY GET?
An angel? You're such a sissy
How cruel!

ONCE WE GET WHAT WE WISH FOR, THEN WE FORGET ABOUT THE WISH.
YOU WANTED TO LIVE WITH YOUR FAMILY AND THAT WISH CAME TRUE. MAYBE THAT'S WHY YOU'RE LIKE THIS NOW. AM I WRONG, MIYASHITA-KUN?
I'LL COME BACK TOMORROW TO PICK UP THE NOVEL. EVEN IF IT KILLS YOU, I WANT IT FINISHED!
I HAVE TO GO NOW.
YASHIRO-SENPAI.
WHAT?
♪DA DI DI DI DI♪
BIP
HELLO?
I don't wanna hear your opinion. Just go to the desk and start working. Now!
WHA...?

SORRY THAT YOU HAD TO WORK ON CHRISTMAS EVE ON ACCOUNT OF ME.
Have fun the rest of the night
IF YOU'RE SORRY, THEN WORK, YOU PERVERT. YOU HAVE A SISTER COMPLEX.
What? I'm not a pervert! Though I do have a sister complex.
"ONCE WE GET WHAT WE WISH FOR, WE FORGET ABOUT THE WISH."
IS THAT REALLY THE REASON THAT I CAN'T REMEMBER?

ON CHRISTMAS DAY...
KNOCK
KNOCK
?!
...I WAS EXCITED, WAITING FOR MY PRESENT TO ARRIVE.
Senpai?
DID YOU FORGET SOMETHING?

REINDEER
REINDEER
REINDEER
M-MERRY CHRISTMAS, MASASHI!

This bag has too much gross stuff in it
I BROUGHT YOU SOME COOKIES FOR YOUR BREAK.
!
Uh-oh, I can't find it
Masachi-kun is trying to understand the situation
NOW I REMEMBER.
AH.
MMPH!
You got me I'm blown away
YOU'RE ALL TOO CUTE.
WHOA!
Christm
prese
"I WANT A LOT OF BROTHERS AND SISTERS."

...I ASKED SANTA FOR.
THAT WAS THE GIFT...
GET OFF ME, YOU SISSY!
Bah!
I COULDN'T REMEMBER IT BECAUSE...
...IT BECAME TRUE AND NOW I DON'T NEED TO WISH FOR IT ANYMORE.
I NEVER THOUGHT THE DAY WOULD COME WHEN YOU WOULD LAUGH AT MY OUTFIT.
I can't believe it
He's adjusting the hood
DID IT...
...REFRESH YOUR MIND A LITTLE BIT, MASASHI?

...TIRE OF THIS HAPPINESS.
What the hell are you doing, sissy?!
I'LL COME HOME TOMORROW, SAKURA-CHAN.
I love you!
CHU
Oh boy
?!
I'LL NEVER...
OF COURSE.

TODAY IS CHRISTMAS EVE.
Looks like Sakura gave it to him
SINCE I'M NOT A CHILD ANYMORE, I WON'T ASK SANTA FOR ANYTHING.
INSTEAD, I'LL THANK HIM FOR THE GIFT I RECEIVED...
...FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART.
MERRY CHRISTMAS

Sea?
WHAT ARE YOU TALKIN ABOUT?! IF I DID IT, I'D LOOK WAY TOO CUTE!
ARGH, SHUT UP!
I'D BE IN DANGER!
2 PEOPLE IN THE VILLAGE → NAKA CHAN & SUEZUKI KUN
Please help us
Please
TSUYOSHI, TO PUNISH THE PIG, PRETEND TO BE A GIRL AND BE A DECOY.
WHY DON'T YOU DO IT? YOU'RE THE EXPERT.
ZZZ

Great
Takashi!
?!
I WAS ASKED BY THE VILLAGE GIRLS AND I WAS TEACHING THEM.
BUT IT LOOKS LIKE I CAUSED YOU TROUBLE AS A TOKEN OF MY APOLOGY, PLEASE LET ME JOIN YOUR JOURNEY
ME, TOO.
No! Don't go sensei!

PIG → TAKASHI
How can I help you?
YO, PIG, I CAME TO PUNISH YOU
Show yourself
YOU'RE NO DECOY, TSUYOSHI-KUN

It's not Takashi's fault
STOP IT, TSUYOSHI!!
IT'S ALL THAT IDIOT'S FAULT FOR TRYING TO DO SAIYUKI WITHIN TWO PAGES!!
SMACK
YOU'RE NOT SUPPOSED TO COME IN YET!
AND DON'T BARGE IN!
I'm sorry
END

How To
Use Magic

MITAKA ...
...AND ICHINOSE!!
PROFILE
Mr. Hasegawa (aka Grampa Hase) Teaches social studies. His daughter just had a baby and he forgave her for eloping. He decided to retire because he was asked to baby sit his grandchild
YOU GUYS GIVE MR HASEGAWA THE BOUQUET OF FLOWERS. GIVE A NICE SPEECH AS WELL, ALL RIGHT?
I HAVE NOTHING TO PERFORM!!!
LET'S SEE YOU GET DOWN!
He's a teacher
Wa ha ha
Forget the speech. Do a performance!
Eee!
?!

Poor Grampa Hase...
Uh-oh. Has gone
HE'S THE WORST PERSON FOR THIS TASK, ISN'T HE?
HE'D RATHER KICK GRAMPA HASE OUT THAN CELEBRATE HIS RETIREMENT
Did I say something wrong?
SLAM
PERFECTLY BAD REPUTATION
Has got very suitable face for calculation
He's not cooperative
And short tempered
Who's so gloomy
MITAKA-KUN...
POP

POP POP POP POP POP POP POP POP
HUH...
WOOOOW!!

He looks like a molester—
DON'T MAKE ANY NOISE!!!
SLAM
MITAKA-K--
NOD NOD
LISTEN!! IT'S NOT LIKE I LIKE MAGIC OR I DO THIS ALL THE TIME ON THE ROOFTOP!!
UNDER-STAND?!
YOU'RE GLOOMY AND ALL ALONE...
ALL ALONE
GLOOMY
Uffi...
...BECAUSE YOU HAVE TO HIDE YOUR TRUE IDENTITY, RIGHT?!
What?
I DION'T KNOW THAT YOU WERE A WIZARD!!

...DO THIS!
He's laughing at himself
Ha
Monotone
THAT'S RIGHT. I'M A WIZARD.
THAT'S WHY I CAN...

うっとり
WHAT MAGIC!!
WONDER-FUL!!
IS SHE REALLY THE SAME AGE AS ME?
IT'S JUST TOO WONDERFUL!!
Has been feeding the school pigeons
I'M JUST KIDDING, OF COURSE.
IT'S JUST A MAGIC TRICK.
I NEVER HAD TIME TO MAKE FRIENDS BECAUSE OF THAT.
MY PARENTS ARE MAGICIANS AND THEY TAUGHT ME MAGIC WHEN I WAS LITTLE. THEY EVEN TOOK ME ON THE ROAD WITH THEM
You're like a wizard!
Wow!
WHEN I PERFORMED MAGIC, EVERYONE GATHERED AROUND ME

MY DAD TOLD ME!
MAGIC IS JUST TRICKS!!
I KNOW IT'S A TRICK! LIAR!!
YOU'RE HIDING IT SOMEWHERE, RIGHT?!
BUT MAGIC TRICKS ARE NOT REAL MAGIC.
AS LONG AS YOU KNOW THE TRICK, ANYONE CAN DO IT.
IT'S JUST KID STUFF.
Can man
HAVE YOU BEEN CHEATING US?!

ピカ
WOW!!
YOU MEAN I CAN USE MAGIC IF I KNOW HOW?!
HUH?!
Sh-she's blinding me
TOO PURE!!
I don't know why but I'm scared!!
Eeeee!
SHE'S SO NAÏVE (STUPID) !!
ピカー

LET'S CELEBRATE GRAMPA HASE'S RETIREMENT WITH SOME MAGIC!!
WHAT?!
Pervert!!
Cheater
Liar!!
GET YOUR HANDS OFF OF ME!!
I CAN'T STAND TO SEE SOMEONE REACT LIKE THAT AGAIN.
MAGIC IS A TRICK! I TOLD YOU!
He's traumatized
IT'S JUST DECEPTION!
I'M SCARED...
...TO SHOW MY MAGIC IN FRONT OF PEOPLE.
NO, IT'S NOT!

IT'S NOT DECEPTION. THE EXCITEMENT I FELT WAS ..
...DEFINITELY REAL!!
!!!
ちょ
MY HEART IS STILL BEATING FAST. SEE?

SMOKE BOMB
HYAH?!
UGH...
HE'S GONE.
COOOOL.
SHE MUST BE SLOW. I CAN'T LISTEN TO SOMEONE LIKE HER.
WHAT THE HELL? WHAT THE HELL IS WRONG WITH THAT GIRL?

1 P
1
2
3
1ST SEMESTER EXAM RESULTS
OTSUKO ICHINOSE
MAKOTO SUMIMOTO
MANAMI YAMAUCHI
500
489
485
Perfect score
Huh?!
!
WHISPER
My head hurts
.....
?
TRAUMA DUO
HEY, MITAKA
HAVE YOU DECIDED WHAT TO SHOW GRAMPA HASE?
WHY DON'T YOU SHOW HIM YOUR FAKE MAGIC?
YEAH, AND THEN WE'LL GUESS THE TRICK LATER.
DON'T DO THE OBVIOUS STUFF, ALL RIGHT?

I like the characters in this short story. I planned to make Rin a girl like Etsuko but Ha ha ha ha ha ha

Sorry about her weird accent but she's not Japanese you see?

This is the last column in this volume. Thank you for reading this far.

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WITCH HAT
I'M A WITCH.
What? You don't know?
Broom
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU WEARING?!
Black stockings
Is Mitaka also gonna wear something so like that?
WELL, MITAKA-KUN AND I ARE GOING TO ♡
Too cute
OH? WHAT ARE YOU PERFORMING?
You look great!

SLAM
I'M NOT GONNA DO ANYTHING!
Uh oh. He's gone again
EISUKO... MAYBE WE SHOULD PICK SOMEONE ELSE OTHER THAN MITAKA...
HE'S NOT SUITABLE FOR THIS...
カポ
……
POP
ぽんっ

POP POP POP POP POP POP POP POP
GLOOMY.
COWARD.
CHICKEN.
NEGATIVE.
GIRLY.
SERVILE.

OPPOSITE EFFECT
SO! LET'S SHOW YOUR MAGICAL MAGIC AND--
I SAID I'M NOT DOING IT!!
That's right I am gloomy! Thunder!
YOU'LL ALWAYS BE LEFT OUT AT THIS RATE!
He was listening to the conversation.
Kuh!
I DIDN'T WANT TO DRAW LOTS.
I WISH SOMEONE COULD DO IT FOR ME.
.....
IF I TELL YOU

...THAT I CHEATED SO I COULD PAIR UP WITH YOU...
...WOULD THAT MAKE YOU MAD?
?!
ARE YOU TELLING ME THAT YOU FELT SORRY FOR ME BECAUSE I CAN'T MAKE FRIENDS IN [illegible]?
I CAN NOW SEE WHY YOU CAN'T MAKE FRIENDS.
"that you don't make friends," eh?

A LONG TIME AGO, I SAW YOU AT AN AMUSEMENT PARK. MY DAD TOOK ME THERE.
TO TELL YOU THE TRUTH, THAT WASN'T THE FIRST TIME I SAW YOUR MAGIC.
DADDY
Let's try that one!
What's so fun about a spinning coffee cup?
Yuh huh.
WELL, WHEN I WAS A KID, I THOUGHT I WAS TOO SMART AND MATURE FOR AMUSEMENT PARKS.
YOU KNOW I'M SMART, RIGHT?
THEN I SAW YOU DOING YOUR MAGIC.

IT WAS LIKE A DREAM WORLD THAT I'D NEVER SEEN BEFORE.
I WAS EXCITED FOR THE FIRST TIME IN MY LIFE.
THAT'S WHY WHEN I CAME TO THIS SCHOOL AND SAW YOU...
...AND WHEN WE HAPPENED TO BE IN THE SAME CLASS...

SO, WHAT I SAID ABOUT YOUR MAGIC IS HOW I REALLY FEEL.
I DON'T KNOW WHY YOU DON'T WANT TO PERFORM MAGIC IN FRONT OF PEOPLE, BUT...
...I KNOW YOU STILL LIKE IT SINCE YOU'RE STILL DOING IT. IF NOTHING ELSE, AT LEAST TEACH ME HOW TO DO IT.
...
I DIDN'T KNOW HOW TO STOP MY HEART BEATING SO FAST.
You'll die if your heart stops beating
Ember

LIKE YOU, I WANT TO MAKE SOMEONE EXCITED LIKE THIS.
.....
YOU DO KNOW THAT ONLY KIDS AND IDIOTS ENJOY IT, RIGHT?
IF YOU'RE CLUMSY, IT'S NOT FOR YOU.
Idiots?
HEY NOW!
NO COMPLAINING. UNDERSTAND?
I'LL BE FINE.
I WON'T. I'M NOT LIKE YOU.

Don't stop doing tricks!
YOU'RE WAY TOO CLUMSY!
SPARTAN
Just one flower?
I DON'T WANNA DO SUCH A SMALL TRICK. I WANNA POP THINGS LIKE DOVES OR RABBITS.
YOU'RE ALREADY COMPLAINING!!
He remembers the promise
HEY, MASTER?
WH-WHAT?
Master?
But he actually likes it
TO CHEER ME UP, SHOW ME SOME REAL MAGIC. PLEEEEASE?
Stop taking it literal
すぱっ
BAH
STOP CALLING IT REAL MAGIC!

WHY NOT?
YOU'RE STINGY
ぴょこ
Wow! You're so cool! You're the awesomest!!
So loud
MAY 19 MONDAY
PRACTICE
MAY 21 WEDNESDAY
MAY 22 THURSDAY
MAY 23 FRIDAY
Good morning.
WAIT! WE HAVE A GOOD-BYE PRESENT FOR YOU!
MY LAST CLASS IS OVER.
SO LONG, EVERYONE.

Leave it to me
DON'T WORRY! I ARRANGED IT JUST FOR OKAMPA HASE. AT LEAST HE WILL ENJOY IT FOR SURE
Wait and see boring boy!
ARE WE REALLY DOING IT? ALL YOU CAN DO IS PRODUCE ONE FLOWER.
ポコン♪
LET'S MAKE A DEAD TREE BLOOM! ♥
"AT LEAST"? BUT SHE LOOKS SO CONFIDENT.
How did she arrange it, I wonder?
WHAT?!
OOOOH! IT'S A MIRACLE!! A LUCKY LILY BLOOMED ON HIS HEAD!!

I SEE.. THAT'S PRETTY CLEVER
GULP
BUT...
Ho ho ho ho
YURI, WHICH MEANS LILY, IS MY GRAND-DAUGHTER'S NAME. TERRIFIC!
Hi!
Surprised
YOU TWO REPRESENT THE WHOLE CLASS, YOU KNOW?!
Quit that stupid crap!
JUST ONE FLOWER? THAT'S ALL?
YOU'RE SO RUDE TO ME HASEGAWA!!
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I wonder if Hase likes trick or Yuri
YEP! HE ENJOYED IT AS I TOLD YOU!
VICTORY!!
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JUST AS I EXPECTED
SEE? I TOLD YOU.

Ha.
SHE'S RIGHT.
NOW IT'S MY TURN.
IF ONE PERSON ENJOYS IT...

...THAT'S ENOUGH FOR ME, TOO.
Give Him to Me Hasegawa
Dammit! He's outta again
He's so cool

WOW, WOW, WOW!!
Mr. Shoe
They were just jealous

When did he prepare all that?
SEE? MY HEART IS STILL BEATING FAST
Feel it
STOP THAT!!
Aren't you a girl!!
WHAT?!
Tee hee
I JUST WANNA GET YOUR ATTENTION ♡
It's not my strategy.
WHAT? I DON'T CALCULATE ANYTHING
Urgh
HOW MUCH OF YOUR STUPIDITY IS CALCULATED?

How to use Magic / End

To compete for Sakura, a duel between two men erupts!!
Could it be...The Three Musketeers?!

It starts with "My Fair Lady?!" Don't miss it!

Read *Me & My Brothers* volumes 1 and 2!!!